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FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8007

INFO AMEMBASSY SEOUL

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINR, IR, KN

SUBJ: NORTH KOREA NAMES NEW AMBASSADOR TO GOI

1. LOCAL PRESS HASKED UP AP REPORT THAT CHA BYONG OK HAS BEEN NAMED NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO IRAN. ANY BIOGRAPHIC BACKGROUND AVAILABLE TO ADDRESSEES WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
 2. NORTH KOREA'S FIRST ENVOY TO IRAN, AMBASSADOR LY YUN HO, ARRIVED IN MARCH 1974. GOI DEPARTURE FORMALITIES INCLUDED CEREMONY WHERE COURT MINISTER HOVEYDA, ON ORDERS OF THE SHAH, CONFERRED A HOMAYOUN MEDAL FIRST CLASS ON AMBASSADOR LY. A FEW DAYS LATER, MFA PARLIAMENTARY UNDERSECRETARY SHILATI-FARD GAVE A FAREWELL LUNCH FOR LY AT WHICH HE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE GOI ESTABLISHED RELATIONS WITH THE DPRK FIVE YEARS AGO "IN PURSUANCE OF OUR INDEPENDENT NATIONAL POLICY", ADDING THAT AMBASSADOR LY "HAS BEEN CROWNED WITH SUCCESS IN THIS MISSION".
 3. COMMENT: WHILE LY RECEIVED STANDARD TREATMENT FOR DEPARTING AMBASSADORS, THIS IS MOST WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY GIVEN GOI RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA SINCE LAST YEAR'S BILATERAL TRADE PROTOCOL SIGNED IN PYONGYANG. DPRK
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DIPLOMATIC MISSION IS BARELY VISIBLE ON LOCAL SCENE:
THEY HAVE FOUR DIPLOMATS ACCREDITED TO GOI, LESS THAN A
FOURTH OF THE HIGHLY ACTIVE SOUTH KOREAN CONTINGENT.
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